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Tenambit set to shine thanks to artistic community collaboration

On Saturday 7 May, O’Hearn Park Tenambit will be transformed through a kaleidoscope of colour and community spirit as a local community designed mural is brought to life by arts facilitators, UP&UP.

Ideas for the mural were developed at a special community workshop with Tenambit locals on Wednesday 27 May which focused on respect, kindness, fun, safety, and friendship.

The workshop saw over 70 local community members come together to work through ideas on what designs should be muralled at the Saturday 7 May event.

The Tenambit Mural project is being run by Hume Community Housing who provides homes and services to people in the area. Hume’s purpose is to provide customers with opportunities to prosper. Alongside a home, Hume promotes connection among the local community and neighbours to encourage customers’ well-being and sense of community pride.

Hume has provided housing and services in the Hunter since 2019 and believes in working hand in hand with customers to build vibrant and connected communities

Over the past financial year, Hume’s Community Cohesion teams’ have hosted 183 unique activities involving 1,193 customers across the Hunter region both online and in person. These activities focused on community safety, community development, education, and mental and physical health.

Richard Hershman, Community Cohesion Officer at Hume said: “An effective and thriving community is one where there is great collaboration between the local community members who are connected with their local culture, services and government.”

“We see great results when we help bring people together based on shared goals. The Tenambit community mural project has been an incredible opportunity for locals to connect with Mindaribba LHAC, UP&UP, Maitland Council, Youth off the Streets, and Police NSW who were all present at the Mural workshop on 24 April answering questions from the local community and enjoying the atmosphere of the day.”

“The Tenambit mural, when complete, will reflect the vibrancy of this resilient community and the many strong community leaders and families who are shaping Tenambit into a safe and welcoming place. Hume is looking forward to creating more partnership projects in the future to further empower this great community” concluded Mr. Hershman.

Hume customers and partners will paint the Tenambit Mural on Saturday 7 May from 12:00pm – 3:00pm at O’Hearn Park, Tenambit. Maitland Mayor Philp Penfold will be joined by Jenny Aitchison MP at the event from 12:30pm.